

case, it was noted by the Examiner that either a copy of the Khaira reference, or an appropriate affidavit demonstrating its confidential nature might be submitted to the Patent Office in response to the Requirement for Information. Subsequent investigation by Mr. Muller has determined that the Khaira reference is indeed considered to be proprietary and confidential by its owner, Intel Corporation. Therefore, a declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 is submitted herewith to establish this fact. Due to its confidential and proprietary nature, the Khaira reference cannot be readily obtained, and has consequently not been submitted in response to the Requirement for Information. As noted in the Office Action, this statement should be accepted as a complete reply to the requirement for this item.

The Examiner is invited to contact Mr. Muller at (210) 308-5677 if any further information with respect to the Khaira reference is desired. Ms. Billie Warrick, an employee of Intel Corporation and the declarant, is also available to confer with the Examiner with respect to the confidential and proprietary nature of the Khaira reference via teleconference, and Mr. Muller would be pleased to set up the necessary telephone connections, if desired. Other employees of Intel Corporation, including its in-house attorneys, are also available to further inform the Examiner's inquiry, if necessary.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that the information provided herewith is responsive to the Requirement for Information by the Office. However, if there are any remaining elements desired by the Examiner, he is invited to telephone the Applicants' attorney, Mark Muller at (210) 308-5677, or the undersigned to facilitate prosecution of this Application. If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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